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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS ON THE HORIZON

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1. IN RESPONSE TO REFTL A, PARA 3, DESCRIBED BELOW ARE THREE MAJOR PROJECTS WHICH ARE IN VARIOUS STAGES OF PLANNING IN AFGHANISTAN.

2. \$11.5 MILLION ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT - REFTL B MENTIONS THAT TAMS IS ON SHORTLIST OF FIVE FIRMS FOR CONSULTANCY PORTION OF PROJECT. TENDER DOCUMENTS WILL BE RELEASED AFTER CONSULTANT IS CHOSEN (PROBABLY BY END OF CY 1974). ONE FUNCTION OF CONSULTANT WILL BE TO EVALUATE BIDS FOR PURCHASE OF ROAD MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT. THIS PROJECT FINANCED BY WORLD BANK LOAN. ENGINEER KAZI, PRESIDENT OF HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE, MIN/PUBLIC WORKS, KABUL, HEADS PROJECT. MINISTRY HAS RECENTLY PURCHASED MUCH JAPANESE EQUIPMENT BUT WE URGE AMERICAN FIRMS TO COMPETE. MAJOR EXPORT PROJECT WILL BE ISSUED BY EMBASSY WHEN DETAILS KNOWN.

3. FATHER IN FUTURE, BUT PERHAPS WITHIN A YEAR, ARE FEASIBILITY STUDIES ON STORAGE DAMS ON LOWK HELMAND MYXVER. STUDIES ALONE PROJECTED TOZTZVC \$10 &8))89,, FINANCED FROM IRANIAN AID. POST WIGMKEEP MEPD ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

4. ALSO AS PART OF IRANIAN AID PACKAGE, \$500 MILLION
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EARMARKED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF RAILROAD BETWEEN KABUL

AND IRANIAN BORDER AT ISLAM QALA. PROJECT STILL IN
EARLY TALKING STAGE BUT EMBOFFS KEEPING CLOSE WATCH.
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